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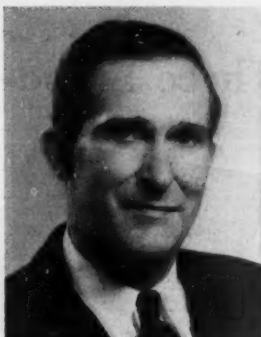
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From the President

As I sit down to write this page, on a Sunday afternoon, with a cup of coffee at my elbow, I can't help but think that the president of M.L.A. needs a crystal ball and the gift of prophecy, if he is to do an accurate job of writing! Meeting the deadline of January 20 which is set by our ever-efficient editor means that by March 1, when the *Michigan Librarian* appears, some of the things I've written may have become ancient history! However, this is a situation in which one must take the calculated risk!

Since the last issue appeared, the annual Council meeting has been held, and the theme for this year selected. "Cooperation and Expansion—A Library Network for Michigan," won approval of a majority of those present at the meeting as best reflecting the general ideals for library service as expressed in the new A.L.A. Standards. By general consent these were



adopted as the focus for much M.L.A. activity this year. Regional meetings to promote study and understanding of these standards are being set up by the Consultant Division of the State Library, in conjunction with the M.L.A. Planning Committee, and some may have been held by the time you read this. These Standards can serve as an important yardstick for library service, and all of us should be familiar with them.

National Library Week, March 16-22, is almost at hand. It is my hope that libraries of all kinds throughout the state have plans well under way to take the best possible advantage of this nationwide focusing of attention on libraries, books, and reading. Let's bring the theme for the week, "Wake Up and Read," to the attention of every citizen in every community. Elsewhere in this issue is informative material about the week, written by Past President Clover Flanders.

The association budget for the year was adopted at the January meeting of the Executive Board, and appears in this issue. A study of this will be well worth your time, for to my mind it gives the picture of a strong and vigorous association. Reflected here is the all-time high number of 1677 paid memberships in 1957, and the possibility of even more in 1958. Also reflected in the balance carried forward is the net profit from one of our best attended conferences in Detroit, where there was a total registration of 719. In numerous cases increases in the budgets of committees have been granted, based on a careful study of their proposed plans of action for the year.

Speaking of committees and sections, I am delighted with the plans for the year as described at the council meeting,—plans which showed a desire on the part of chairmen and members alike to do something of value for the association. Up to the time of writing this page, many meetings had been held, and others were scheduled. In one two week period recently, it was my pleasure to attend five different M.L.A. meetings, in addition to calling on the Governor, with the State Librarian and State Board for Libraries, in regard to State Library finances, state aid, etc. Who says the life of an M.L.A. president is dull?

By now every member should have received his copy of the new "Manual for Legislative Action." A fine piece of work, it should be of definite value to all of us.

The organization meeting of the 1958 conference committee was held early in January, in Grand Rapids. Under the capable direction of Don Kohlstedt this committee is starting the wheels turning to produce another smooth-running conference, which seems to be more the rule than the exception in Michigan. Some new ideas, based on this year's conference evaluations, were considered, such as a hospitality area, a program for Friends of Library groups, and possibly a pre-conference meeting of the School and Children's section in connection with the Grand Rapids Public Library Book Fair which will be set up by the time of the conference.

Finally—we need good speakers and good programs for the conference. Please send your ideas and suggestions either to Don Kohlstedt or to me. They'll be much appreciated!

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Elizabeth Von Oettingen
Legislative Chairman

STATE AID:

As has already been stated in the January Legislative Newsletter, the State Board for Libraries is again requesting \$700,000 for state aid, plus \$49,925 for a pilot reference center project in the Saginaw Valley. The latter is not a demonstration project in the sense that eventual local support is stipulated, but it seems unlikely that, once increased service is provided, the local communities will want to discontinue it.

The \$700,000 figure represents 10¢ per capita, the amount which was so effective during the early years of the State Aid Law in inducing local communities to raise standards to the required level.

The logical question, especially in a year of financial difficulty is, "Why is this necessary?" Therefore, in order to increase the effectiveness of its argument, the Legislative Committee sent out letters to 154 libraries asking: 1) What had been done with state aid this past year, 2) What was planned if state aid were increased to 10¢ per capita. The response was most gratifying in terms of information.

In general, state aid is used either to expand the book collection or to expand services. In the former case, the accent is on children's books, technical books, and above all, reference works, which in the smaller library are an almost insurmountable drain on the budget. Most frequently cited were encyclopedias and atlases, and several librarians spoke of wanting to serve students of various ages more effectively. It is clear from the letters that librarians are acutely aware of their responsibilities as education and information agencies, but that their budgets are often woefully inadequate to meet these responsibilities. The survey would also seem to point towards the necessity of establishing regional reference centers, whereby librarians could share the information as well as the costs.

Those librarians which used their state aid funds for expanding services tended

to emphasize the audio-visual materials which are almost a must in the modern library: Record collections, art reproductions, music scores, newspaper microfilms and viewers, and membership in film circuits. Several libraries used some of their state aid for educational programs of various kinds, and at least one is saving its money in order to outfit a bookmobile to serve outlying areas. In some instances the money has been partially used to redecorate, add shelving, and make meeting space available for community groups.

As to what libraries would do with more state aid: Firstly, buy books and more books of the kind mentioned above, both to expand the collection and to replace outdated material which is now being kept only for lack of anything better. (One librarian wailed, "Pour good new books into our undernourished branches, like vitamins!") Other plans call for the expansion of services similar to those already undertaken by some of the responding libraries.

It is obvious from this that state aid is being put to good use. — Now, let all members of MLA make it their business to prove this to the Legislature!

THE STATE LIBRARY:

The budget request for the State Library is \$703,478, plus \$15,500 for developing library service to the aging, making a total of \$718,978. Last year the request was for \$679,091 and the actual appropriation \$504,484. This was not very much above the appropriation for the previous year, and, as you will remember, the Legislature took the money to provide for necessary salary increases from that portion of the budget which includes the book fund.

It is as yet too early to assess the damage done by the drastic cut in the book fund. However, judging by replies to the third question on the Committee's survey, the collection was not adequate to meet the needs of the state even before the cut went into effect.

In general, the comments were very laudatory: Many librarians depend on

"Wake Up and Read"

the State Library to fill requests for such things as foreign language dictionaries, textbooks on special subjects, bound magazines, out of print books, etc. As one librarian put it, "I don't believe that there is a day goes by that we do not call on our friends at the State Library." The State Library also provides book collections when they are needed. Thus one library was able to borrow 3,000 books in order to meet an emergency caused by annexation.

However, another library was able to get only half the number of books requested, and quite a few librarians mentioned having received a number of "DO NOT HAVE THIS BOOK" answers to requests which they felt the State Library should have been able to fill. In all cases the writers attributed this condition to the poor book budget.

Considering the fact that the real effects of last year's cut have not yet been felt, it is obvious from the above that we must prevent similar action this year. Nor should we fail to mention the other services which we get from the State Library. Its accomplishments are truly heroic in view of its very inadequate housing and the miserable conditions under which its staff must work. —The silence about the new building is, alas, penetrating!

PENAL FINES:

At the time of writing (January) it is not known what form this year's attempt to capture penal fines will take, however, we can almost be certain that there will be one.

Penal fines are used in much the same way that state aid is and are, as you know, of particular importance to county libraries, which usually do not have as high a percentage of local support as other public libraries. As one county librarian writes, "We could not exist without penal fines. They enable us to give bookmobile service throughout the entire county, to make community stops as well as school stops. We have a really worthwhile summer reading program for children in thirteen communities that do not have regular libraries . . . and would be entirely without library service if it were not for the bookmobile."

While it was obvious at last year's legislative session that some areas of the state had done an excellent job of in-

forming their legislators on this question, it was also apparent that others had not. The committee was also told that we might expect a higher percentage of votes for the bill this year. These are not necessarily anti-library votes. In most cases the legislators value good library service — but the cause of the opposing group seems to be more urgent to them. It therefore behooves us to work hard at demonstrating to our legislators the need to preserve penal fines for libraries.

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From conversations various committee members have had, there seems to be a need to review the penal fines law and eligibility standards set up by the State Board for Libraries. The latter are the same as for state aid. (The qualification that a library must receive from its governmental unit or units an appropriation equal to at least 3/10 of a mill on the state equalized valuation of the area served is a part of the state aid law itself and not in the standards set up by the State Board for Libraries.) These standards may be revised from time to time, but it is a complicated process, involving both the Legislature and MLA. The last revision was made in 1954.

The text of the law is reprinted below. Further information may be obtained from the State Library.

PART II.

CHAPTER XXXII.

Sec. 14. The proceeds of all fines for any breach of the penal laws of this state when collected in any county and paid into the county treasury, together with all moneys heretofore collected and paid into said treasury on account of such fines and not already apportioned, shall be apportioned by the county treasurer in accordance with the directions of the superintendent of public instruction as provided in section 915 of this chapter, before the first day of August in each year among the several townships, districts, or cities entitled to the same in the county, which money when received by the proper authorities shall be exclusively applied to the support of libraries and to no other purpose: *Provided however*, That in any county in which a county library shall have been established under the provisions of Act No. 138 of the Public

Acts of 1917, as amended, or Act No. 250 of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended, or is hereafter established and meets the standards set by the state board for libraries, the county library shall be entitled to all proceeds of the penal fines; in such county upon application of the county library board on or before July 1 of each year the county treasurer shall transfer such apportionment to said county library fund: *Provided further*, That where an area within such county is served by an established public library which meets the standards set by the state board for libraries, the county treasurer shall allocate to the board of trustees of said existing public library the per capita portion, based on school census, of all receipts from penal fines: *Provided further*, That this section shall not be construed as affecting the provisions of section 40 of chapter 35 of Act No. 314 of the Public Acts of 1915, as amended.

FEDERAL AID:

No information beyond that which you have already had in the Newsletter is available at this date. Have you

written to your Congressman urging that they work for appropriation of the full \$7,500,000 authorized under the Library Services Act?

A FEW BOUQUETS:

First of all: To the librarians who took time to answer the Committee's survey during the Christmas rush!

Second: To the members who are letting us know about the contacts they have had with legislators.

Third: To the librarian and library board whose immediate response on receipt of the MLA Legislative Manual was to write to their legislators.

Fourth: To the library board which invited its legislators to one of its meetings.

Fifth: To the library which is having a get-together with its legislators as soon as it finishes redecorating — with the help of state aid.

Sixth: To the librarian who invited her congressman on a bookmobile round, thus causing him to testify eloquently in favor of the Library Services Bill several years ago, and giving us a splendid idea!

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Eighth: (Dare I say this?) To an imaginative and hardworking committee, which has come up with many excellent ideas and must sometimes wonder if there is such a thing as time for oneself.

Quote from the January Legislative Newsletter:

THIS YEAR, NOW THAT SPUTNIKS, ETC., HAVE AWAKENED THE NATION TO THE NEED FOR FOSTERING INTELLECTUAL ACTIVITY, COULD BE A BANNER YEAR FOR US. WE ARE, EACH ONE OF US, RESPONSIBLE FOR SEIZING THE OPPORTUNITY!

FLASH

The Governor's recommendation is for exactly the same amount as last year. On February 19, the M.L.A. Executive Board and State Board for Libraries met with members of the Legislative Appropriations Committee to discuss State Aid and State Library finances. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.** Write to your Legislator now!

School and Children's Library Section

CONSTITUTION

Article I - Name

The name of this section shall be the School and Children's Library Section of the Michigan Library Association.

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of this section shall be to improve and increase library service to children and young people in Michigan.

Article III - Membership

Section 1.

Any member of the M.L.A. interested in the purpose of this section may be an active member of this section by participating in its activities.

Article IV - Policies

The policies of the School and Children's Library Section shall be:

1. To cooperate to the fullest extent with the work of the Association.
2. To promote the personal and professional growth of librarians working with children.
3. To attract wide and representative membership.
4. To encourage active participation by as large a percentage of membership as possible.
5. To increase the awareness of Michigan's teacher training institutions, school administrators, teachers, and the community of the value of the library in the educational system.

tutions, school administrators, teachers, and the community of the value of the library in the educational system.

6. To increase the awareness of Michigan public library administrators and the community of the value of library work with children in public libraries.
7. To encourage well-qualified young people to choose librarianship for their profession and to train for it.

Article V - Management

Section 1.

At the end of her year as Vice-Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall automatically become Chairman. A Vice-Chairman shall be elected each year. A Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected for a two year period.

Section 2.

The administration of the affairs of this Section shall be vested in the Executive Board which shall consist of the officers of the Section plus the chairmen of the Standing Committees, with the retiring chairman, the School Library Consultant and the Children's Library Consultant from the Michigan State Library as ex-officio members.

"Wake Up and Read"

All action of the Executive Board shall be in harmony with the Constitution and By-Laws of the M.L.A. and with the policies of the M.L.A. Executive Board.

Article VI — Officers and Duties

Section 1. OFFICERS

The officers of the School and Children's Library Section shall be:

1. Chairman, held alternately by children's librarian and school librarian.
2. Vice-Chairman (Chairman elect)
3. Secretary-Treasurer, held alternately by children's librarian and school librarian.

Section 2. DUTIES

A. The duties of the Chairman shall be:

1. To be responsible for the annual meeting of the Section and to arrange the program with the assistance of the Executive Board.
2. To preside at the annual business meeting of the Section.
3. To appoint all necessary committees.
4. To represent the Section at the M.A.S.L. annual business meeting.
5. To direct the activity of the Section so that the program for the accomplishments of the Section's objective is purposeful, vigorous and continuous.
6. To keep a file of all pertinent data and pass it on to the succeeding chairman, together with a statement of recommendations, immediately after the annual meeting.
7. To act as an ex-officio member of all Committees.
8. To serve as an ex-officio member of the Executive Board during the year following office.
9. To compile an annual report from the reports of the Section Committees.

B. The duties of the Vice-Chairman shall be:

1. To assist the chairman in all possible ways to accomplish the Section's objectives.
2. To be a member of each institute committee.

3. To preside in the absence of the Chairman.
4. To assume the duties of Chairman the following year.

C. The duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be:

1. To keep a list of the members of the Section.
2. To keep minutes of all meetings of the Section.
3. To keep a record of all business transacted in the name of the Section and to present an annual report.
4. To pay bills properly authorized by the Executive Board.
5. To handle all funds of the Section and to keep a record of the various amounts.
6. To pass on the record of all accounts and all funds to the succeeding Secretary-Treasurer immediately following the annual meeting.

Article VII — Meetings

Section 1. ANNUAL MEETINGS:

There shall be an annual meeting of the Section at the time of the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS:

Special meetings of the Section may be called by the Executive Board or upon written petition of twenty per cent of the members of the Section.

Section 3. SPRING INSTITUTE:

The Section shall hold a meeting each spring at a time and place designated by the Executive Board. This Institute is to be devoted to more detailed discussion of the field of Children's work in public libraries and its related subjects. The Chairman shall be a children's librarian.

Section 4. FALL INSTITUTE:

The Section shall sponsor school library institutes at times and places designated by the Executive Board. These institutes shall be devoted to in-service training. The Chairman shall be a school librarian.

Section 5. INSTITUTE FUNDS:

Funds belonging to these Institutes shall be kept by the Secretary-Treasurer in the General Account. All expenses of Institutes sponsored by the Section shall be charged against the General Account. Any monies accrued from these Institutes shall be deposited in the

General Account. Each Institute chairman shall submit a bill for expenses incurred at the Institute to the Section chairman for approval and such expenses shall be paid by the Secretary-Treasurer from the General Account.

Article VIII — By-Laws

Any by-law may be adopted and amended by a majority vote of the members of the Section present at the annual business meeting of the Section. Any by-law may be suspended by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at the annual business meeting of the Association.

Article IX — Amendments

The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting at the annual business meeting of the Association. It may also be amended by any special meeting called for the purpose, upon a written recommendation of a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws appointed by the Chairman provided that a copy of the proposed amendments be sent to each active member of the Section at least one month prior to the meeting or be published in an official publication.

BY-LAWS

Article I — Fees

The Executive Board may fix a registration fee for all persons attending any meeting other than the annual meeting of the Section.

Article II — Quorum

Fifteen active members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article III — Nominations and Elections

Section 1. NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

- A. The Chairman shall appoint a nominating committee of not less than three persons when other standing committees are appointed.
- B. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall call a meeting of the Committee not less than six months before the next annual meeting to nominate persons for the elective positions. The Committee shall nominate not less than two candidates for the offices of Vice-Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer. Candidates shall be contacted by letter in which the duties of the office are explained, and permission to submit his name shall be obtained.

- C. Nominations other than those of the Nominating Committee may be made by petition in writing of five members of the Section to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee by July first.

Section 2. ELECTIONS:

- A. Election to elective positions of the Section shall be by mail ballot.
- B. Ballots shall be prepared and mailed by the Nominating Committee to the entire Section membership not later than September 10th.
- C. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of tie vote, the successful candidate shall be determined by lot.

Article IV — Vacancies

Section 1. ELECTIVE POSITIONS:

Vacancy in the office of Chairman shall be filled for the remainder of the term by the Vice-Chairman.

Appointments to fill vacancies in all other elective positions shall be made by the Executive Board for the remainder of the term.

Section 2. COMMITTEE

APPOINTMENTS:

Appointments to fill vacancies on a committee of the Section shall be made by the Chairman of the Section.

Article V — Finances

Section funds shall be classified in two divisions to be known as the Allotted Fund and the General Account.

A. THE ALLOTTED FUND:

1. The Chairman of the Section shall apply to the Executive Board of the Michigan Library Association for funds to carry out the year's program in keeping with the Section's objectives. Such application shall be made in time to be considered in the compilation of the Association's annual budget. Special financial needs not covered by such appropriation shall be met by any plan devised by the Section's Executive Board and approved by the Michigan Library Association's Executive Board.
2. The funds allowed by the Executive Board of the Michigan Library Association shall be known as the Allotted Fund. This account shall be held and

disbursed by the Treasurer of the Michigan Library Association. Expenses of the Annual Conference and other authorized expenditures necessary for carrying out the objectives of the Section shall be charged to this account. Bills for these expenditures shall be approved by the Section Chairman before being forwarded to the President of the Association for authorization and payment. The Secretary-Treasurer of the Section shall keep a record of these disbursements.

B. THE GENERAL ACCOUNT:

1. Funds belonging to the Section shall be kept by the Secretary-Treasurer in a General Account separate from the funds allotted by the Michigan Library Association Executive Board.
2. All expenses of the Section, except those allowed by the Executive Board of the Michigan Library Association from the Allotted Fund, shall be paid from the General Account. Bills for these expenditures shall be authorized by the Section Chairman for payment by the Secretary-Treasurer.
3. Any monies earned by the Section shall be deposited in the General Account.

Article VI — Committees

Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES:

With the approval of the Executive Board the Chairman shall appoint the following standing committees:

- A. Committees on which there shall be equal representation of school and children's librarians with chairmanship alternating:
 1. **CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE** — To study and recommend changes in the Section Constitution.
 2. **PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE** — To publicize the activities of the Section, to encourage the writing and publication of articles in the field of library service to children, and to work with State and community leaders for the improvement and extension of library facilities for children and young people.

3. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE** — To secure the specified number of qualified candidates for each elective office to be voted at the annual meeting.

B. Committees which will be chaired by one type of librarian:

1. **SPRING INSTITUTE** — Chairman a children's librarian, (meetings open to all members of the Section).
2. **SCHOOL LIBRARY INSTITUTES** — Chairman a school librarian (meetings open to all members of the Section).

Section 2. SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

- A. The Chairman may appoint special committees subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the Section. These committees may be appointed for any term necessary to complete their work, but for no longer than three years.
- B. Chairmen of special committees shall meet with the Executive Board of the Section at least once a year, upon call of the chairman, for the purpose of co-ordinating plans and programs of action of the Section.

Section 3.

The Chairman shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 4.

In order that the School and Children's Library Section may share in all work of the Association, the Chairman shall at the proper time provide the President of M.L.A. with a list of members of the Section recommended for elective office or for appointment on standing and special committees of the Association.

Section 5.

Chairmen of all standing and special committees of the Section shall prepare a report for the annual meeting which shall be placed in the Section's official file. A copy of this report together with all significant data and a list of suggestions for the following year shall be given the succeeding chairman at the close of the annual meeting.

Article VII — Official Years

Section 1. MEMBERSHIP YEAR

The membership year of the Section shall coincide with that of the Michigan Library Association.

Section 2. ELECTIVE AND APPOINTIVE YEAR

The term of office for elective and appointive positions of the Section filled annually shall be the period beginning with the adjournment of the annual meeting and ending with the adjournment of the next succeeding annual meeting.

National Library Week

As you read these words you are probably heaving a sigh of relief that most of the hard work on your local plan for National Library Week is behind you. If there are a few unorganized moments in the Week you may want to take a look at the very complete "Organization Handbook" issued by the National Book Committee. Your State NLW Committee distributed some 60 copies to strategic areas; special attention was given in this distribution to placing the copies where all librarians could consult them most readily. A telephone call should locate the one in your area. All members of the State Committee (Clifford Wightman, Chairman, Hackley Library, Muskegon; Charles Mohrhardt, Detroit Public Library; Virginia Summers, Lansing Public Library; Mrs. Loleta Fyan, Michigan State Library, Lansing; G. Flint Purdy, Wayne State University Library and the undersigned, University of Michigan Library) have single copies and will be glad to share information.

The State National Library Week Committee has arranged one activity which may help you in your local celebration. Leland Stowe, the Banquet speaker at the 1957 Conference, has agreed to participate in a radio program. This program will be aired over WUOM, the University of Michigan Station, sometime during the Week. Since his remarks are bound to be pertinent and timely, you may want to investigate the possibility of a rebroadcast through your local station.

Many national organizations have endorsed the idea behind National Library Week and local chapters will be prepared to lend support to the activities planned in your library. This may give you just the opportunity you need to

reach new groups of citizens with both the library story and the NLW theme of "A better read, better informed America". Every library in the State—no matter what its size or clientele—will want to take advantage of this unprecedented opportunity to point out to the general public the value of reading not only to the individual but to a democratic society as well.

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Reminder

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By participating in District and State meetings we can best improve our library service in our community and state. A Library is a vital part of any community and this year especially, people will be turning to it for answers to the all important questions of our economy, the study of outer space, and information on science.

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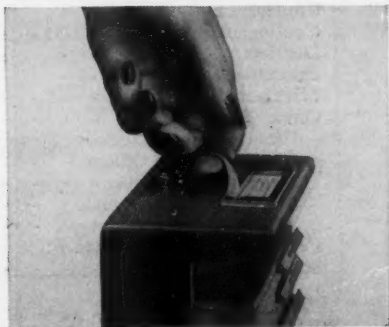
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January 1 — December 31, 1957

Balance in Treasury January 1, 1957, including all funds - - - \$ 5,334.26*

RECEIPTS

Bement Memorial Fund - - - -	\$ 64.88	
Conference - - - - -	2,781.51	
Districts - - - - -	25.49	
Dues - - - - -	6,626.50	
Institutional - - - - -	\$ 645.00	
Personal - - - - -	5,556.50	
Trustee - - - - -	425.00	
Michigan Librarian - - - - -	1,002.41	
Advertising - - - - -	966.56	
Subscriptions - - - - -	35.85	
Packard Memorial Trustee Fund - -	425.00	
Scholarship Fund - - - - -	307.33	
Total receipts - - - - -	\$11,233.12	
GRAND TOTAL - - - - -		\$16,567.38**

DISBURSEMENTS

Advisory Council & Executive Board	1,565.87	
A.L.A. Councilor - - - - -	29.38	
A.L.A. Memberships - - - - -	39.00	
Committees, Special - - - - -	528.32	
Auditing - - - - -	10.00	
M.L.A. Exhibits - - - - -	35.09	
M.L.A. Policy - - - - -	28.46	
Newcomers - - - - -	120.77	
Nominating - - - - -	134.43	
Recruiting - - - - -	199.57	
Committees, Standing - - - - -	1,724.91	
Legislative - - - - -	1,226.09	
Membership - - - - -	286.87	
Planning - - - - -	183.63	
Publications - - - - -	4.70	
Public Relations - - - - -	23.62	
Conference - - - - -	130.37	
Contingent - - - - -	96.90	
Districts - - - - -	182.74	
Executive Secretary - - - - -	1,659.26	
Michigan Librarian - - - - -	3,500.11	
Office Expense - - - - -	1,201.50	
Clerical Aid to Executive Secretary	273.18	
Clerical Aid to Officers - - - -	18.00	
Postage and Express - - - - -	143.07	
Stationery and Supplies - - - -	659.74	
Telephone and Telegraph - - - -	107.51	
Packard Memorial Trustee Fund - -	660.23	
Scholarship Fund - - - - -	103.00	



TIME TO PAY 1958 DUES



Sections - - - - -	328.84
Adult Education - - - - -	38.06
Catalog - - - - -	37.00
College - - - - -	15.73
County and Regional - - - - -	29.45
Hospital - - - - -	35.00
School and Children - - - - -	165.00
Reference - - - - -	8.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS - -	\$11,750.43
RECAPITULATION	
Total receipts January 1 - December 31, 1957	\$16,567.38**

Total disbursements - - - - -	11,750.43
Balances	
Bement Memorial Fund - - - \$1,418.93**	
Packard Memorial Fund - - - 79.98	
Scholarship Fund - - - - - 697.14***	
General M.L.A. Funds - - - 2,620.90	
Balance on hand December 31, 1957	4,816.95**

**I, Ronald Caplan, Accountant, hereby certify that I have audited the books of record and account of the Michigan Library Association and have found them to be in order and correct.*

***Of these amounts \$318.93 is on deposit with the Capital Savings and Loan Co., Lansing, Michigan and \$1,100.00 is on student loan.*

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ASSOCIATION BUDGET — 1958

Balance in Treasury Dec. 31, 1957 - - -	\$4,816.95
Bement Memorial Fund - - - - -	\$1,418.93
Packard Memorial Fund - - - - -	79.98
Scholarship Fund - - - - -	697.14
Balance of General M.L.A. Funds - - -	2,620.90
ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1958	
Dues - - - - -	6,500.00
Institutional - - - - -	625.00
Personal - - - - -	5,525.00
Trustee - - - - -	350.00
Conference - - - - -	2,000.00
Registration - - - - -	700.00
Exhibitors - - - - -	1,300.00
Michigan Librarian - - - - -	950.00
Advertising - - - - -	925.00
Subscriptions - - - - -	25.00
GRAND TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR 1958	\$12,070.90*
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR 1958	
Advisory Council and Executive Board	1,100.00
A.L.A. Memberships - - - - -	39.00
A.E.A. of Michigan - - - - -	10.00
A.L.A. Councilor - - - - -	200.00
Committees, Special - - - - -	795.00
Auditing - - - - -	15.00
Intellectual Freedom - - - - -	25.00
Library laws - - - - -	100.00
Newcomers - - - - -	70.00
M.L.A. Exhibits - - - - -	75.00
Nominating and Election - - - - -	200.00
Recruiting - - - - -	300.00
Trustee Citation - - - - -	10.00
Committees, Standing - - - - -	2,125.00
Legislative - - - - -	1,200.00
Membership - - - - -	350.00
Planning - - - - -	225.00
Public Relations - - - - -	175.00
Publications - - - - -	100.00
Salary, Staff and Tenure - - - - -	50.00
Scholarship - - - - -	25.00
Conference - - - - -	1,200.00
Contingent - - - - -	216.90
Districts - - - - -	200.00
Executive Secretary, Salary - - - - -	2,090.00
Michigan Librarian - - - - -	2,300.00 (three issues)
Office Expense - - - - -	1,325.00
Clerical Aid to Executive Secretary - - - - -	375.00
Clerical Aid to Officers - - - - -	50.00
Postage and Express - - - - -	150.00
Stationery and Supplies - - - - -	625.00
Telephone and Telegraph - - - - -	125.00

Sections - - - - -		470.00
Adult Education - - - - -	50.00	
Catalog - - - - -	50.00	
College - - - - -	50.00	
County and Regional Libraries - - -	50.00	
Hospital - - - - -	50.00	
Reference - - - - -	50.00	
School and Children - - - - -	170.00	
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES		12,070.90*

*Special ear-marked funds: Bement, Packard and Scholarship excluded.

Memo to Members:

This question has come up several times and therefore needs answering. An M.L.A. member is not restricted

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National Library Week — March 16-22

M.L.A. Executive Secretary Report—1957

MEMBERSHIP			BY SECTION		
1957		1956	1957		1956
Personal	1126	1097	Adult Ed.	227	205
Honorary	21	22	Catalog	119	106
Trustee	416	370	College	103	90
Institutional	114	110	County & Reg.	133	113
			Hospital	26	32
	1677	1599	Reference	201	298
			School & Ch.	406	384
			Trustee	423	369
				1638	1597

BY DISTRICT			EXECUTIVE SECRETARY		
1957		1956	1957: Ex. Sec.	644	
I	229	223	Editor	131	
II	228	235			775 hours
III	650	617			
IV	153	156	1956: Ex. Sec.	653½	
V	194	186	Editor	111	
VI	90	74			764½ hours
VII	92	88			
	1636	1579			

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Section News

College

The College Section is making an effort to have all college, seminary, and university libraries in Michigan report their statistics to *College and Research Libraries*. A special letter will be sent to the institutions not reporting in the January, 1958 issue asking that they contribute statistics when solicited next fall.

An Acquisition Committee has been appointed to consider mutual problems in order work. Miss Hazel DeMeyer of Western Michigan called a meeting during the annual conference in Detroit to consider solutions to the problem of libraries having to purchase materials under state contract. The scope of this group has been expanded and a committee appointed consisting of Frank Schick, Wayne State University; Wal-fred Erickson, Eastern Michigan; Virginia Alexander, Michigan State Li-brary; David Maxfield, University of Michigan; Jim Skipper, Michigan State University; Hazel DeMeyer, Western Michigan, Chairman. A report will be made in the next issue of the *Michigan Librarian*.

Catalog, College and Reference

The Cataloging, College, and Refer-ence Sections of the Michigan Library Association will hold a tri-sectional meeting Wednesday, May 14, 1958 in Ann Arbor. The new University of Michigan Undergraduate Library will be the focal point of the meeting. Tours will be arranged.

Registration and Coffee — 10:30-11:30

Michigan Union, 2nd floor

Registration fee — .50

Luncheon — 12:00-1:00

Michigan Union Ball Room — \$2.25

Program — 1:30-3:30

Undergraduate Library Auditorium

Tentative Topics

Frederick Wagman, Director, Univer-sity of Michigan Library—"Planning the Undergraduate Library."

Margaret Ayrault, Chief Cataloger, Uni-versity of Michigan Library—"The Contribution of the Catalog Depart-ment to the Undergraduate Library."

Roberta Keniston, Undergraduate Li-brarian—"The operation of the Undergraduate Library."

The program has been planned to be of interest to the reference, cataloging and administrative staff of public and college libraries. Postcards will be sent by Section secretaries several weeks be-fore the meeting to solicit luncheon res-ervations which must be made by Fri-day, May 9.

School and Children

Julia A. Sauer, author of "Fog Magic", "Mike's House", and "Light at Tern Rock" who is director of Work with Children, Rochester, N.Y. Public Li-brary, will be the main speaker at the School and Children's Section Spring Institute at the Kellogg Center, Mich-igan State University, East Lansing, on Friday and Saturday, April 25 and 26, 1958. Mrs. Mary F. Bobinski of Royal Oak, a committee member in 1957, is chairman this year. Miss Donna Per-rine of Sexton High School, Lansing, section chairman, and Frances White-head of the Children's Department, De-troit Public Library, chairman-elect, will work with the committee. Programs can be secured from the Director of Conferences, Kellogg Center of Con-tinuing Education, Michigan State Uni-versity, East Lansing after April 1.

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School Library Conference, St. Mary's Lake MEA Camp, Battle Creek, September 19-20. The program promises to be the best yet, as three Willow Run librarians are collaborating to make one chairman. This team is made up of Nell Barrett, Monica Stein and Grace Van-denbergh. On the committee are two li-brarians from Van Dyke — Avis Heck-man, Fitz Gerald Elementary and Ruth Kerkhoff, Fitz Gerald High School, from Kalamazoo — Dorothy Werden, Lincoln School and Dolores Robinson, Central High School, and Margery Baer, Roosevelt High School, Donna Perrine, Sexton High School, Lansing, section chairman, Frances Whitehead, Chil-dren's Department, Detroit Public Li-brary, chairman-elect, Elinor Yung-meyer, School Library Consultant, Michigan State Library, and Clover Flanders, past president of MLA and Head of the Library Extension Service, University of Michigan, have been in-

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The headline-making book fairs of Detroit and Midland are over, but a number of communities are holding them in the winter and spring. On January 15 and 16, The Sixth Annual Book Fair sponsored by the East Lansing Public School Librarian took place at the East Lansing Junior High School. Mrs. Alyce Ludwig, Director of School Libraries was chairman. Twenty publishers exhibited books and audio-visual materials.

The Children's Book Council Book Fair Collection exhibited at Detroit is available again this year to communities which will furnish transportation. About 1000 books published in 1957 were contributed by their publishers. Arrangements are made with Miss Marion Young, Head of the Children's Department, Detroit Public Library, Woodward and Kirby.

Some communities are featuring children's books exhibits as part of their National Library Week programs.

The *Books on Exhibit* collection loaned by the Michigan State Library is scheduled for much of the time. Elinor Yungmeyer, School Library Consultant, reports that it was booked in Alma and East Detroit in January, for Michigan State University and Galesburg in February. It will go to Wayne University and Dowagiac in March and to Central Michigan College in April.

The *Children's Book Council Exhibit*, first shown in Detroit last November, has been at St. Mary's Convent in Monroe. Marian Young, Head of the Children's Department, Detroit Public Library, announces that plans are now being made for it to be shown at the University of Michigan Rackham Building, Ann Arbor March 21-29, and at Saginaw in April.

Both of these exhibits are open to the public in most places, but some colleges are securing them for the use of students. People wishing to see the books may get in touch with the library of the institution for information about visiting hours.

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McGregor Public Library, Highland Park

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The broad base of community participation drew some 250 individuals into preparations, programs, displays and hospitality. Jaycees and Friends combined to provide program, promotion and hospitality. Advance notice posters were prepared by art students in public and parochial schools.

Over 500 persons attended the one day Fair, exchanging books, buying contributed books, listening to a musical program that ranged from the High School Little German Band and the Dixieland Foot Stompers to several glee clubs.

Michigan Association of School Librarians State Conference

March 21-22, Rackham Building, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, M.A.S.L. invites all interested librarians to conclude their celebration of National Library Week by taking part in this conference. Avis Carey of Waterford Township High School is chairman of the program committee. Copies of the program may be secured from Dr. Alfred W. Storey, Coordinator of Institutes, University of Michigan, 1010 Washtenaw Avenue, Ann Arbor.

Mary Gaver, Department of Library Science, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J., and President of the American Association of School Librarians will give the keynote address "Patterns of Service" to open the theme "Developing School Library Service." Panel meetings and discussion groups will center on implementing techniques for library service in enriching school curriculum. Representative educators of all types — teachers, counselors, principals, curriculum coordinators, superintendents, will exchange ideas with librarians in the special interest groups. Florence Cleary of the Department of School Library Education, Wayne State University will close the conference with a speech on "The School Library Looks to the Future."

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In addition to Dr. O'Hara, Miss Hunt and Miss LeFevre, the summer faculty will be composed of Miss Eugenia Schmitz, Librarian of Creston High

School, Grand Rapids and Miss Viola Fitch, Librarian of Pontiac High School. The following courses will be offered:

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- 406 Storytelling
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- 402 Reading Interests of Young Adults
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- 411 Reference Service
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- 403 Selection of Books and Related Materials
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Planning Committee Progress

Your Planning Committee early in the Fall accepted the invitation of the Consultant Division of Michigan State Library to work with them on a plan for a state-wide education program on the ALA Standards as set forth in **PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE: A GUIDE TO EVALUATION**.

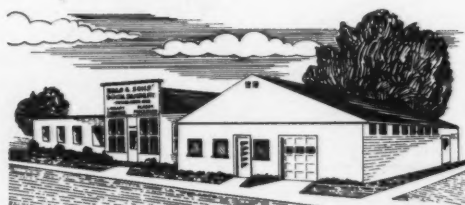
A delegation attended the Ohio Trustees Association conference on October 11th to hear a report on the Ohio program, which had been conducted during the past year.

Efforts were successfully made at the Council meeting to have the ALA Standards considered in selecting a theme for the 1958 Association year.

A system of area meetings is being planned for discussion of the Standards. The first meetings will be attended by

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The "Four County Area" in Southwest Michigan, including the counties of Allegan, Berrien, Cass and Van Buren, organized some three years ago, has adopted the Standards theme in a program which will culminate this year in a meeting during National Library Week. The ALL-VAN-BER-CASS LIBRARY NEWS, planned by a steering committee, is devoting its six issues to the Standards, the last issue of which will be published just before National Library Week.

The Consultant Division of the State Library is spearheading the organization of from six to eight meetings in the State, three of which will be in the Upper Peninsula. These discussion meetings are being organized with the help of local people in the areas — trustees, librarians and others. The aim is to have the meetings completed by the end of March.

Claxton Helms, Chairman

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ON LEAVE: Charlotte Coye, re-elected president of the MASL, from Cooley High School to act as an instructor in the Department of School Library Education at Wayne State University.

APPOINTED: Jean Lowrie, formerly Campus School Librarian, Western Michigan University to Associate Professor, Department of Librarianship, W.M.U. Miss Lowrie will teach full-time. She had been on leave for the past two years to work on her doctorate at the School of Library Science, Western Reserve University. She was the winner of the Dutton-McCrae Award for Advanced Study in the Field of Library Work with Children and Young People this past year.

BACK ON THE JOB: Dr. Frederic J. O'Hara, Associate Professor, Western Michigan University, Department of Librarianship after an extended illness. He will teach full time beginning with the 1958 Summer Session.

PUBLICIST: Douglas Weiser, public relations expert from the State Highway Department has now joined the Michigan State Library staff to publicize state and federal library programs and libraries in general. Mr. Weiser is from Iron Mountain and is a graduate of Michigan State University.

MRS. MARION WHITE: Trustee Member-at-large and public relations authority has been appointed to publicize National Library Week in Michigan.

NEW HEAD: Art and Music Department, Flint Public Library is Forrest H. Alter. Mr. Alter has been in London, England the past two years as representative of the National Institute of Adult Education, served 7 years on the Detroit Public Library staff and was librarian of the Film Council of America, Evanston, Illinois.

PROMOTED: Detroit Public Library: Janet Cant to Branch Librarian of the Duffield Branch Library; Seymour Berman to First Assistant of the Bowen Branch Library.

MRS. LUCY GALLUP: former librarian, Sturgis Public Library, author of *Spinning Wings* is a candidate for the Masters degree in the Department of Librarianship, Western Michigan University.

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Dates to Remember

District Meetings

- I — April 24, Sturgis
- II — May 8, Lansing
- III — May 7, Plymouth
- IV — May 2, Greenville
- V — April 30 or May 1, Alma
- VI — May 22, Tawas City
- VII — May 24, Marquette

Section Meetings

- May 14 — College, Reference and Catalog, Ann Arbor
- April 18 — Hospital, Flint
- School and Children's
- April 25-26 — Spring, Institute, Kellogg Center, East Lansing
- Sept. 19-20 — Fall Institute, St. Mary's Lake
- October 11 — Central State, Grayling
- April 11 — Newcomers' Day (all those new to state and profession), Kellogg Center, East Lansing

October 22-25 — M.L.A. Annual Conference, Grand Rapids

State Library Workshops

- June 23-27 — Higgins Lake
- July 28 - Aug. 1 — St. Mary's Lake
- August 11-15 — Marquette

Other Meetings of Interest To Michigan Librarian

- March 21-22 — M.A.S.L., Ann Arbor
- April 25-27 — SLAAM Convention, Clear Lake Camp
- April 26 — Michigan Unit, Catholic Library Assn., St. Michael's School, Flint

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